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Black Serge \$1 25, reduced from \$1 75.
Black Brocade Velvets \$3 75, reduced from \$6.
Colored Brocade Velvets \$3 50, reduced from \$5 50.
Black Satin Brocade \$1 10, reduced from \$1 50.
Black Ottoman Silks \$2, reduced from \$2 75.
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Black Gros de Sole \$1 25, reduced from \$1 75.
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Remember these prices will be maintained ONLY during this sale.

Fine Hosiery and Underwear!

STILL FURTHER SACRIFICES.
Ladies' Fine English Cashmere Hose, solid colors, 90c, reduced from \$1 50.
Ladies' French Ribbed Wool Hose 50c, reduced from 75c.
Misses' Ribbed Wool Hose 25c, reduced from 50c.
Misses' Ribbed Wool Hose 35c, reduced from 65c.
Misses' Genuine French Wool Hose 40c, reduced from 75c.
Misses' Fine English Cashmere Hose 50c, reduced from 90c.
Misses' Fine English Cashmere Hose, new style, vertical stripes, \$1 25, reduced from \$2 50.
Misses' French Ribbed Cotton Hose 15c, reduced from 35c.
Misses' Ribbed Cotton Hose, extra quality, 25c, reduced from 50c.
About 100 dozen Ladies' and Misses' Fine Cotton Hose in broken lots and sizes still left. They will be sold at VERY LOW PRICES to close them out.
Men's Fancy Striped English Socks 25c, reduced from 50c.
Ladies' Scarlet Cashmere Underwear, bound with silk, \$1 20; reduced from \$2.
Ladies' White Merino Underwear, bound with silk, 50c; reduced from 90c.
Misses' Merino Union Suits, in White, Grey or Scarlet, at about HALF PRICE.
Full lines of Men's Hosiery and Underwear at fully ONE-THIRD LESS than THEIR VALUE.
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A TRAIN IN FLAMES.

Coaches Filled With Passengers Completely Surrounded by Fire.

A Sight That Almost Baffles Description—The Only Escape Was Through Windows Broken by the Intense Heat—A Gas Explosion the Cause.

PITTSBURG, PA., January 15.—A Bradford, Pa. dispatch says: "While a train on the Bradford and Kinzua Railroad was passing an oil well, which was being torpedooed, the fire box was open and the gas ignited, setting the well on fire. The train jumped the track, and twelve persons are reported as burned to death."

COLLIDED WITH THE TANK.
Another dispatch says: The engine jumped the track and collided with the tank, which exploded. There is nothing definite learned yet. One woman is dead, and ten to fifteen badly burned.

BRADFORD, PA., January 15.—A stream of waste oil flowing from a tank across the Bradford and Kinzua Railroad caught fire this morning. A passenger train from Wellsboro for Bradford ran into it, and the train was immediately enveloped in flames. The track for a distance of fully one hundred yards was covered with oil. It is believed that the gas coming in contact with the fire box of the engine, exploded and fired the oil, which spread on a hurricane wind and enveloped the doomed train, which, in an instant, was a mass of flames. So intense was the heat that the windows were cracked and fell in. In less time it takes to write this the passenger coaches and baggage car were converted into a seething, hissing cauldron of fire.

IT WAS TERRIBLE.
For a moment. The coach was filled. There was a rush for the doors, but the heat was so intense that the panic-stricken passengers were driven back and forced to jump through the windows to a landing in the snow. Relief trains with surgeons were at once despatched to the scene. On arriving a terrible sight presented itself. The passenger coaches and baggage car were smoking furiously. The engine lay on its back, having become a complete cauldron. It is definitely known that only three persons, all women, were burned to death.

THE DEAD.
A Mrs. L. C. Fair of Kinzua Junction. She was burned beyond recognition. Mrs. Fair was a young woman and had only been married two years. Her husband escaped by jumping through a window.
Miss Katie Moran of Allens, N. Y., a small station near Allens. The body was burned almost to a crisp. Miss Moran was found hanging outside the coach grasping a window-sill. The other dead woman had not been identified.

THE BADLY BURNED.
Prof. Faught, not expected to live.
Patrick Seaton, engineer; terribly burned about the face and hands.
Mike Walsh, fireman; horribly burned about the face and arms.
W. H. Beiman jumped from the train and was injured internally.
Jerry Denagan, brakeman; hands badly cut.
Charles Hedrich, express messenger; burned about hands.
George McCartney, newsboy; terribly burned about the head and hands, and is not expected to live. His hands are burned to a crisp.
A. N. Carpenter of Little Genesee had his face and left hand burned.
Jerry Haggerty, Cores, N. Y.; badly burned about the face and head.
Mrs. Black, daughter and son of Aiken; burned about the heads and hands. Mr. Black was the most severely burned.
G. W. Van, wife and son, of Indianapolis, burned. The boy was badly burned about the face and hands.
John Kaffoor of Aiken, terribly burned about the face and hands.

Perished in the Flames.
By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch.
ALLENTON, ILL., January 15.—Last night the barn of George Miller of this place burned to the ground. A man named Cost King, a reckless character, perished in the flames. He was asleep in the hay loft, and was burned to death before he was discovered he was in the building.
A Flour Mill at Alton.
By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch.
ALTON, ILL., January 15.—A fire in North Alton about 2 o'clock this morning completely destroyed Henry Sowmy's great mill and a quantity of grain. Loss about \$5,000; insurance \$1,000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

A TOWN BURNED.
Naples, Ill., Nearly Destroyed—Footpads at Quincy—Illinois News.
NAPLES, January 15.—The business part of this town was destroyed by fire yesterday. The total loss is \$35,000; insurance saved \$10,000. The fire could not have burned much more here.
QUINCY, January 15.—Some footpads made a descent on Quincy two weeks ago and committed numerous depredations. John Green, arrested yesterday, was been identified as one of them. The Board of Commerce elected officers last night.
DECATUR, January 15.—A family quarrel has resulted in the arrest of one of its members. Mrs. Kate L. Benjamin, who is charged by another, Mrs. Joe Strangle, with having murdered \$1,300 in notes from her. James M. Hyatt of Fairbury and Miss Robinson of Pekin, were married yesterday.

Cairo, January 15.—It is feared that John L. O'Connell, who left here on the 1st of the month has been fully dealt with, as his clothes are at his hotel and nothing has been heard from him.
SPRINGFIELD, January 15.—Ten printers on the State Journal struck because of the reduction of the price of composition from 25 to 20 cents per line, one cent.

WELLS, N. C., January 15.—Fire destroyed Bennett & Robertson's grain elevator yesterday. Loss \$5,000; insurance \$1,000.
FRODOA, January 15.—The body found floating in the river some time ago is now positively identified as that of Mrs. Nellie White of Chicago.

AMERICAN WHEAT.
Can Our Farmers be Undersold Abroad—Future Market Regulator.
New York, January 15.—Speaking of the decline in wheat in the Chicago market the Times' Wall street article says: It is evident that the information of the trade about the present conditions of demand and supply abroad is defective. Some grain men say that foreign producers are selling their wheat at a loss, but they said this three months ago, and it seems hardly likely that stores of wheat would continue to pour into the English markets in undiminished volume all to be sold at a loss. If it is, then of course the time is not far distant when the supplies must stop, but the fact remains that the circulation made on this hypothesis months ago have been utterly wrong. It is certain that the wheat production of the world has been greatly enlarged since 1870, and the question suggests itself whether the wheat producers and the wheat dealers here are abreast with all the facts of the change. Are they assuming that wheat cannot be put on the English markets at a profit by other than our producers? If it is, it is a serious mistake about this it is a serious matter. Very interests are concerned in a right understanding on this subject. If our farmers can really be undersold in the wheat market of the world, Wall Street will have to revise its estimates of the value of a grain-raising important railroad property.

THE SUN SAYS: "One thing has been made clearer than ever during the last week, and that is that the foreign demand for our cereals, and not the injurious corners of Chicago speculators, must ultimately make the price for wheat in this country. This has been predicted time and again by the column, and every week only goes to prove the absolute fallacy of the theories of our corner-makers and speculators. As long as Europe is cured with but crops, and the immense wheat harvests of India, Australia, and Russia did pour their bounteous supplies of wheat into European markets, Chicago was not to be small extent, to regulate the price of wheat in the world over. But this has all changed within the last few years, and every attempt recently made to bolster up the price of wheat has resulted in ignominious failure. Last week's fall in Chicago prices was identified by two New York failures and by the posting here of some large blocks of N. 2 red winter wheat to the west and the invasion of grain in the very rapid in Chicago, St. Louis and all the West. The market, therefore, has been not as good as No. 2 in Chicago. It should be said, also, that the long time it has to remain stored before it is required for shipment abroad does not improve its quality. The difference in the price of the wheat in the West and in the East is from 12 to 15 cents a bushel, and it is the smaller side of the grain that the buyers make most money. But they have carried their fraudulent practices too far, and Europe is now taking the advantage and the high-priced American wheat when it can obtain genuine and better wheat from India, Australia, and Russia. When there were no railroads in those countries there was less grain grown there, and any surplus of it was used for fuel. To-day every bushel is brought to the board of the steamer and Liverpool as fast as steamers can be found. Our railroads will soon have to take all these things into serious consideration, and it will be nothing surprising to see the valuation of our grain-carrying roads placed soon upon a considerably reformed basis. The excitement in Chicago is very much below a bubble. As of them telegraphed after the close of the board, it was Washington, and night came on a blessing. It will be nothing surprising to see the battle resumed Monday.

COULDN'T KISS HER.

Mr. Brown's Curious Wife—A Novel Divorce Suit.

New York, January 15.—Samuel Brown was married July 30, 1882. He now uses for separation in the Court of Common Pleas on very novel grounds. Though married, he alleges, he could not kiss his wife. Immediately after the marriage he discovered that her breath was so offensive that he almost refused the day he was born. He declares that he has been informed and fully believes that her mother-in-law told her to live with her; that not only is her breath so offensive, but her face and hands are so disfigured, and she is so ugly, that he cannot look at her without being disgusted. He asks only for perpetual separation, not an absolute divorce.

INDICATIONS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 15.—For South Atlantic States, local rains followed by clearing weather, winds shifting to northerly, generally colder weather, rising barometer. For the West and Gulf States, fair weather in southern and northern portions, cold weather in northern portion, north to east winds, rising followed in the western portion by falling barometer, colder weather. For Tennessee and the Ohio Valley, generally fair weather, north to east winds, rising barometer, colder weather. For the lower Lake region, light local showers followed by fair weather, colder weather. For the lower Lake region, fair weather, colder weather. For the Upper Mississippi Valley, generally cloudy, fair weather except in southern portion, local showers, northerly shifting to easterly winds, falling barometer. For the northern portion, light local showers, followed during Wednesday by falling barometer, colder weather in southern portion, and slightly warmer followed by colder weather in northern portion.

DEATH OF MAJ. JAC. C. WOOD.

By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch.
SEDA, Mo., January 15.—After a short but painful illness Maj. J. C. Wood died this morning at 4 o'clock. Maj. Wood was one of our oldest and most prominent citizens. He served gallantly as a Confederate soldier during the war, and at the close was one of the band that followed Joe Shelby into Mexico. He was twice elected to the office of Clerk of the State Circuit Court, and has held other offices of trust. Deceased was well known throughout the State, and especially in Central Missouri, where he was held in high esteem.

A COSTLY CALF.

By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch.
MACON, Mo., January 15.—A case has just been decided in the Circuit Court that has been decided every term of court for the past three years, and has cost the participants more money than they can very readily pay. Mrs. Jane Kohl and H. M. Stone each claimed a little white calf. Judgment was rendered in favor of the former. The costs in the case will reach \$200.

NORTHERN CANE GROWERS.

The delegates to the Northern Cane Growers' Convention continue to arrive in numbers, and the meeting, which convenes at the Polytechnic Institute to-morrow, will be by all odds the most important in the history of the industry. Several samples of syrup and sugar have arrived, and some sugar machinery will be exhibited. The convention will meet at 10 a. m.

THE WHALE FISHERIES.

NEW BEDFORD, MASS., January 15.—The past year was one of loss to those engaged in whale fisheries, and results were discouraging. Several points to a steady decrease in the number of vessels sailing from Atlantic ports, and perhaps a small increase in the number sailing from San Francisco.

DEATH OF A FEMALE PHILANTHROPIST.

MALDEN, MASS., January 15.—Mrs. Valeria Stone died this morning from the effects of a fall. She was 70 years of age, and had been ill for four weeks ago. During the past few years she has given colleges and schools for girls over \$400,000.

LATE AT THE ALTAR.

Singular Mishap to a Philadelphia Wedding Party.

The Bride on Her Father's Arm in Front of the Pulpit—The Groom and His Best Man Accidentally Locked Out.

By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch.

PHILADELPHIA, January 15.—The strange scene has been presented here of a clergyman in a fashionable church joining in marriage a father and daughter. The details have just become known, and the story is now the chief topic of society gossip. Invitations were issued to a large number of Philadelphia's most fashionable people, to be present at the Church of the Epiphany to witness the marriage of Wilson Mitchell, a young gentleman well known in society, to Miss Fanny Elizabeth Kessler, daughter of John Kessler, Jr. At the hour named the spacious church was crowded to overflowing, and the assembly was anxiously awaiting the arrival of the bridal party. Presently there was a whisper, which ran from the door to the chancel, that they had arrived. The rectory of the church, the Rev. G. H. Kingalving, who was to perform the ceremony, stood up and advanced to the altar railings. The deep tones of the organ pealed forth Mendelssohn's "Wedding March," the swinging doors at the foot of the central aisle swung open, the six ushers started slowly forward and following them came the bride, attired in traveling costume, leaning on the arm of her father. The wedding had been arranged on the usual English style, and the bride was to be met at the chancel railings by the groom, attended by his best man. Eyes which had been fixed on the bride turned towards the door of the vestry-room, from where her prospective husband was expected to emerge, but the door was slightly closed and it gave no sign of opening. The organ had ceased its music.

FATHER AND DAUGHTER.

stood before the altar, with the ushers ranged on either side, and yet no sign of the groom. The bride's father, who was seated in the front row, did not understand the situation, though it was evident from the attitude of the ushers that something was wrong. The bride turned pale and clutched her father's hand convulsively, and the father's face grew ashen. The awkwardness of the situation was increased when, in solemn and deliberate tones, Mr. Kingalving began to read the marriage service. He had mistaken the father for the groom, and was about to marry him to his own daughter. The excitement was intense. On every countenance was depicted a consciousness of the situation, yet no one spoke and the clergyman proceeded with the service. When at length he came to the words, "If any man can show just cause why they may not lawfully be joined together, let him now speak, or else hereafter forever hold his peace." There was a noise outside the door, the foot of the nave was thrown violently open, and Mr. Mitchell, attended by his best man, both serious and excited, and both ashen pale, came rushing up the aisle. A few words sufficed to explain matters to the astonished clergyman. By some means the ushers had been locked out.

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and the two gentlemen were thus prevented from making their entrance when the organ gave them their cue. In vain they tried to open it and had not a valuable time in the effort. When they finally abandoned the attempt it took them several minutes to get out of the vestry and around to the other door. The ceremony was again begun and the wedding only solemnized, but the shock which the young lady's nervous system received was severe, and for a time it was feared it might be attended with serious consequences.

CHARGES OF CRUELTY.

A Bloomington, Ill., Divorce Case that has been one of the sensation.

By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch.
BLOOMINGTON, ILL., January 15.—A sensational divorce suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of this city. Mrs. Mary Garthwait, a prominent and popular member of Bloomington society, bringing suit against her husband, Louis Garthwait, a jewelry merchant of this city, charging him with having attempted to kill her a few days ago by drawing a revolver and firing one or two shots. The lady alleges the most extreme acts of cruelty on one occasion. He threw her down and attempted to cut her tongue with a butcher knife. Garthwait has been a prominent resident of Bloomington for a number of years, and lived in Cincinnati before he came here.

INDICTED FOR MURDER.

By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch.
MACON, Mo., January 15.—Wm. Reed, who stabbed a man named Matt Bailey, two miles south of this place, on Christmas eve, has been indicted for murder in the first degree. The celebrated Cruikshank divorce case is docketed in the Circuit Court for trial next Friday.

GOING TO JOIN HIS BROTHERS.

By Telegram to the Post-Dispatch.
HANNIBAL, Mo., January 15.—In the Court of Common Pleas, yesterday, John Feeny was sentenced to two years in the Penitentiary for shooting and seriously wounding a colored woman. Two of his brothers are already in the Pen.

NEW JERSEY'S NEW GOVERNOR.

TRENTON, N. J., January 15.—Gov. Abbott was inaugurated to-day. A snow storm interfered with his parade.

TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

The Grand Opera House, Lafayette, Ind., was damaged \$1,000 by fire on Monday afternoon.
A powder magazine at Cornwall Ore Hills, Pa., exploded on Monday. A workman named Poffey was blown to atoms.
A reward of \$500 roubles has been offered by the Russian police for the capture of Jablonsky, the assassin of Czar Alexander.

J. D. Garrison, the living skeleton of a Philadelphia dime museum, was married on Sunday to Miss Bertina Clear, a very pretty girl.
A man named Kinnard of Prosperity, S. C., is accused of murdering his daughter, in order to secure a large legacy which she was about to receive.

Brewster McWilliams, aged 16, of Griffin, Ga., on Monday evening, in a fit of mental excitement caused by sickness, killed a negro girl and then shot himself.
The Utah Legislature met in Salt Lake City on Monday. Members were required to swear that they were not living in polygamy or had ever been polygamists.

Joseph Ryan, 38 years old, was clubbed to death with billiard cues in a New York billiard saloon on Monday night, by a gang of ruffians, five of whom were arrested.

John P. C. Burpee of the firm of L. and P. Burpee & Co., iron manufacturers at St. John, N. B., was run over and killed at the Boston and Albany depot in Boston on Monday.

In Philadelphia on Monday Wm. H. Pownall, a young man, pleaded guilty to the embezzlement of \$5,700 from his employers, Sinclair & Laughlin, grocers. He lost the money gambling.
Nathan Blits and wife and Lamar DeWagon, were arrested at Big Rapids, Mich., on Monday in the very act of making counterfeit silver dollars, Canadian quarters and new nickels.

Samuel Cox has agreed to write a book of political reminiscences from the beginning of Buchanan's administration down to the present time. He expects to make \$25,000 out of his royalties.
Mrs. Alma L. Burnett, White Plains, N. Y., is suing her mother-in-law, Mrs. Charlotte Burnett, a well-known society woman of Brooklyn, N. Y., for \$50,000 damages for enticing her husband away.

Several of the men who recently murdered Sheriff Martin at Rio Grande City, Tex., have been arrested. They say they were paid \$25,000 each to do the job by Sen. Martin's political opponents.
The liquor dealers of Port Wayne, Ind., who have been forced to close their saloons on Sunday have begun to retaliate by bringing a criminal action against the State for publishing the law.

Cyrus Grow, 35 years old, night watchman at the Reading Railroad Steam Force, in Reading, Pa., was arrested the past few days for allowing white men to enter his saloon and to use the premises for gambling.

